

Our Local Markets.	
Following are the prices paid by our merchants and dealers for the products named:	
Butter	18c
Eggs	13c
Potatoes—new	35c
Wheat—white	70c Red
Oats—new	27c
Corn	36c
Rye	50c
Buckwheat	50c
Fat cattle on foot	3 to 3½c
Hogs, alive	4½c dressed
Sheep	3 to 3½c
Chickens	6c

**Additional Local.**

There will be communion service at the Free Baptist church next Sunday morning.

Some are "weatherwise," some are otherwise. The weatherwise will be interested in E. Smith & Co's overcoat bargains. The otherwise won't. The best stores low prices are the only argument needed.

**VILLAGE NOMINEES.**

RESULT OF THE TWO CAUCUSES HELD MONDAY EVENING.

The republican village caucus at the court house last Monday evening was well attended, 47 votes being cast. J. E. Chandler was chairman, of the caucus, M. O. Rowland, secretary. The following ticket was placed in nomination: President—William C. Y. Ferguson. Clerk—Rella D. Loveland. Treasurer—John E. Showerman. Trustees (full term)—William R. Sellick, John C. Maxwell, Lincoln H. Titus. Trustee (short term)—Albert W. Showerman. Assessor—Jerome C. Warner.

The following village committee was named: C. A. Lamberson, M. O. Rowland, L. M. Showerman.

The democratic caucus was held the same evening at the council room. H. L. McNeil was chairman. The following ticket was nominated: President—Thomas J. Cavanaugh. Clerk—William H. Mason. Treasurer—William Ellis. Trustees (full term)—William H. Longwell, Fred B. Ochock, Mulford D. Buskirk. Trustee (short term)—Willis Clapp. Assessor—Joseph Davey.

**Banker Route a Robber.**

J. R. Garrison, cashier of the bank of Thornsville, O., had been robbed of health by a serious lung trouble until he tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Then he wrote: "It is the best medicine I ever used for a severe cold or a bad case of lung trouble. I always keep a bottle on hand." Don't suffer with coughs, colds or any throat, chest or lung trouble when you can be cured so easily. Only 50c. and \$1. Trial bottles free at Longwell Bros. drug store.

**New Suits.**

Ida Hitchcock vs. Clifford Hitchcock; divorce.

Paw Paw Savings Bank vs. Fred L. Shaw et al; foreclosure.

Nellie M. Rich vs. Frank E. Rich; divorce.

The people vs. A. W. Heal larceny.

LeGraft R. Anderson vs. Leo B. Snitzer; assumpsit.

**What's Your Face Worth?**

Sometimes a fortune, but never, if you have a sallow complexion, a jaundiced look, moth patches and blotches on the skin—all signs of liver trouble. But Dr. King's New Life Pills give clear skin, rosy cheeks, rich complexion. Only 25c. at Longwell Bros. drug store.

**Marriage Licenses.**

Clarence Carter, 19; Esther L. Hite, 25, both of Hamilton.

Harry E. Hill, 24, Schoolcraft; Zoe Phillips, 21, Alpena.

James E. Moyer, 22, Vicksburg; Stella M. Bruner, 17, Decatur.

Curtis Johnson, 24, Hamilton; Maud Beach, 18, Porter.

Walter E. Cash, 24, Lawton; Grace Blake, 21, Paw Paw.

George A. Brown, 21, Lawrence; Myra A. Drake, 19, Arlington.

Chester H. Adams, 31, Porter; Roxana Bent, 23, Marcellus.

**He Fooled the Surgeons.**

All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O., after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world. Surest pile cure on earth. 25c. a box, at Longwell Bros. drug store.

**Probate Court.**

Following is a synopsis of the proceedings in Judge Johnson's court:

Estate of Celia R. Cooley, deceased; letters of administration issued to Jennie L. Cooley.

Estate of Alexander Denna, deceased; letters testamentary issued to George Maile.

Estate of Edson Hodges, deceased; final account; hearing April 9.

Estate of Robert B. Means, deceased; letters of administration issued to Milan D. Merrill.

Estate of Thomas D. Means, deceased; letters issued to Milan D. Merrill, administrator de bonis non.

Estate of Lisette Stevens et al, minor; letters of guardianship issued to Marian Stevens.

Estate of Josephine G. Fuller et al, minor; petition for appointment of guardian.

Estate of Aaron S. Dyckman, deceased; administrator appointed.

Estate of Jonathan Sell, deceased; final account allowed.

**Teachers' Association.**

The Van Buren County Teachers' association will meet at South Haven, March 16 and 17. Following is the program:

**FRIDAY EVENING.**

\* Music.

Lecture—Made in America Hon. H. R. Pattengill

**SATURDAY, 9:00 A. M.**

Music.

Invocation.

Paper—Literature in our Rural Schools. Roy Burlington, Porter

Discussion—Charles Bennett, Paw Paw

Chalk Talk—Infinitives and Participles. Supt. M. A. Stewart, Gobleville

Paper—Science in the Grades. Juliette McCarty, South Haven

Discussion—J. Olivia McLaren, Paw Paw

Recitation—Carlos Cole, Paw Paw

Hints in English—Hon. H. R. Pattengill

Paper—School Room Decoration. Lila G. Felt, Keeler

Discussion—Irene Thompson, Lawrence

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON.**

Music.

Paper—The Value of the Study of Arithmetic. Supt. W. T. Bishop, Decatur

Discussion—Supt. F. N. Wakeman, Covert.

An Educational Sandwich—Hon. H. R. Pattengill

Paper—The Library Question—How it May be Met. Effie Howard, Lawrence

Discussion—Vic D. Cleveland, South Haven

Paper—Relative Value of English in the Public School. Supt. A. W. Chamberlain, Lawrence

Discussion—Supt. Rae H. Kiteley, Lawton

Question Box—Supt. A. D. Prentice, South Haven

\* The musical part of the program will be furnished by South Haven and Paw Paw.

Reading Circle dates, Corwin, March 10th, and Mattawan, March 24th, are cancelled on account of this meeting.

**Prohibitionists.**

The prohibitionists of Van Buren county will meet in the Hartford Baptist church, Tuesday, March 13. Following is the program:

**AFTERNOON.**

2:00—Organization and appointment of committees.

2:15—The Church and Prohibition. Rev. W. F. Allen, Paw Paw

2:30—Discussion. Rev. C. E. Maxfield, Benton Harbor

2:40—Prohibition from Principle. Rev. C. E. Maxfield, Benton Harbor

2:55—Discussion. T. C. Parker, Lawrence

3:05—Paper—Our Platform. T. C. Parker, Lawrence

3:15—Discussion.

3:25—Our District Work. Rev. C. A. Salyer, Hartford

3:40—Business; Election of delegates to state convention and county committee.

**EVENING.**

7:30—Lecture—Equally Guilty. Rev. C. E. Maxfield

**School Notes.**

Miss Viola Monroe called Monday morning.

The senior girls came out in style last week Thursday.

Rev. Allen conducted the devotional exercises Monday morning.

A large number took in the box social at the country school house just west of town.

**S. S. Teachers' Meeting.**

The U. S. S. teachers' meeting will be held at the First Baptist church, Friday at 7 p. m., A. T. Hall, leader; all are invited; lesson, Mark, 2:1-12.

1. What is a miracle?—Written answer by each teacher.
2. Give some reasons for which our Savior wrought miracles?—Rev. Glover.
3. Regarding the miracles our Savior wrought and those performed through satanic agency, what distinction in moral ends may we perceive?—Rev. E. O. Mather.
4. To whom did Jesus, his prophets and apostles ascribe the power to work miracles?—Did Satan ever make similar acknowledgment?—Miss Helen Wilson.
5. Is spiritual regeneration within the miraculous?—Rev. Linsell.
6. The gist of evolution is that the universe has been in eternal progress of formation—a process revealed by natural law only; admitting that material things proceed upon evolutionary principles, does it follow that this is God's method?—Or, can we reason conclusively that the method by which God operates in the material universe maintains in his spiritual kingdom?—Miss M. E. Walter.
7. Looking at the system of Christianity, does it evince an evolutionary character, or is it such by a special call of grace?—Miss Hattie Cooley.
8. In making choice of the various sources of knowledge relating to the spiritual world, to what one must we give precedence?—Why?—M. O. Rowland.
9. Do miracles serve any purpose under the divine economy at the present time?—Rev. J. H. Rennie.
10. Why does the power to forgive sin rest with Jesus Christ? Toward whom will he exercise this power? What evidence has the forgiven soul? What evidence has the world?—Rev. Rice.
11. Central teachings of the lesson.—Rev. W. F. Allen.

Five minutes the limit of each topic.

**To Cure La Grippe in Two Days.**

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on every box. 25c.

**She Shingled the Barn.**

Farmer John Schaar's barn in North Union township had long gone unshingled because the owner was too infirm to climb to the roof, while one of his sons was fighting in the Philippines and the other had gone to the Klondike.

The other day, however, the farmer's only daughter, Kate, who has been employed in Philadelphia, came home on a visit. She was worried by the condition of the barn and the next day went to work and shingled the roof, doing the work as well as any man.—Philadelphia Record.

**Beaded Bags Revived.**

We are returning once more to the fashion so much favored by our grandmothers for working pretty silken reticules to hang at the side or to be carried in the hand, and, as a natural consequence, purses en suite are also becoming the mode, says the Philadelphia Inquirer. The possessors of curiously wrought or beaded bags unearthed from some chest of long unused but cherished treasure are beginning to congratulate themselves on their good fortune, and workers gladly take the opportunity for reproducing the same.

**Real Estate Transfers.**

The following real estate transfers have been recorded in the office of the register of deeds during the past week:

Theodore Brownbridge to C A Crane; party wall vill Decatur; \$1.

Robt Tripp to Andy Keen and w; lot sec 15 Covert; \$110.

Dorcas Whitney to Wm. Pitcher; 1 a e ½ s e ½ 8 Lawrence; \$175.

Frank Tuttle et al to Augusta Knapp; lot 6 and pt lot 7 blk 11 Hartford; \$500.

Lyman Ingraham to Wm Stratton et al; s ½ s w ½ 32 Covert; \$3,200.

Fannie Hessel to S L Deal and w; ½ e ½ s w ½ s e ½ 30 Antwerp; \$800.

J H Cash to W L Nelson and w; n ½ n w ½ 29 Antwerp and s ½ n e ½ ½ s e ½ 24 Paw Paw; \$2,500.

Mary E. Mather et al to Jas Orr; w ½ n w ½ 1 ½ 5 Decatur; \$2,325.

Eli Simpson to Levi Mahoney; und 1-9 w ½ n w ½ 1 ½ 5 Decatur; \$250.

Michael Murphy to H J Cross; n ½ e ½ n e ½ 25 north of river, Waverly; \$1.

Charlotte M. Humphrey to W L Stoddard; 210 a sec 25 Hamilton; \$4,500.

C H Boughton to Annie Shindall; s w ½ s e ½ 1 Bloomingdale; \$1,150.

John Hill to C S Hill; lot 11 blk 26 South Haven; \$100.

Robt King to W J King; w ½ s w ½ n e ½ 12 Hamilton; \$400.

Daniel Morrison to Alonzo Chase; n e ½ n e ½ 32 Waverly; \$300.

Charles Burdick to Albertine S. Monroe; lot 9 blk — Home add; South Haven; \$500.

C E Cook to Woodman Sheffer; lots 14, 17, 21, 22 and 23 D H & Co's add South Haven; \$1.

Luella Sisco to Levi Mahoney; und 1-9 w ½ n w ½ 1 ½ 5 Decatur; \$250.

Adam Elgas to Augusta Knapp; lot 6 and pt lot 7 blk 11 Hartford; \$1.

W W Greenman to Jos Mahoney; 9 a s w ½ 6 Lawrence; \$100.

Anna Meyer to A H Meyer et al; lot 4 blk 4 Warren's add Hartford.

Grietje Dykhuis et al to A H Meyer; lot 4 blk 4 Warren's add Hartford; \$1.

Gilbert Mitchell et al to W J Thomas; lot vill Paw Paw; \$393.70.

Lois A McKinney et al to A E Lawrence; lots 1 and 2 blk H Decatur; \$650.

Essina A Streater to J H Perkins and w; n w ½ s w ½ 25 Antwerp; \$526.88.

C J Monroe et al to Arthur Ryall; par w ½ s w ½ 2 South Haven; \$640.

Matilda B Sheridan to Wm. Shepard; s e ½ n w ½ 8 Covert; \$1,000.

Christian Castleman to Cornelia E Donovan; n w ½ n e ½ 19 Covert; \$500.

**Great Questions of the Day.**

Whenever a topic of general interest is agitating the country you may be sure to find the fullest discussion of it in the Chicago Times Herald. The columns of the paper are always devoted to the things of greatest importance. They touch every phase of every question, and the man who reads them will before long be recognized as an educated man by all whom he comes in contact.

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It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

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White Goods 6c per yd. and up.

Serim Cloths 4c per yd. and up.

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Table Linen—specials 25c and up.

Towels 4c each and up.

Lace Draperies 10c yd. and up.

Silkline " 8c yd. and up.

Lace Curtains 19c each and up.

50c Corsets 29c.

Ladies' Seamless Hose 6c and up.

Yard wide Carpets 12½c.

Ingrain Wash Carpets 25c.

9-4 Bed Blankets 39c per pr.

10-4 Bed Blankets 44c per pr.

Handkerchiefs 1c each and up.

Turkey Red Hdks 3c each & up.

Remnant Ribbons 4c each.

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Special Ladies' \$2 and \$3 Shoes, 98c.

10 qt Tin Pails 10c.

2 qt Covered Pails 5c.

Tin Cups 1c and 2c each.

Tin Basins 2c and 4c each.

Tea Pot Knobs 1c each.

Lunch Boxes 10c.

Cotton Clothes Lines 5c each.

Best Baking Soda 4c.

All Yeast Cakes 3c.

12 Boxes Matches 3c.

10 Bars Jaxon or Lenox Soap for 25c.

New line Fancy Silks 50c and up.

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